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Welcome to our monthly Workforce Development newsletter! Here you will find a program status update, employee spotlight, upcoming hiring events, where we've been in the community and more! For more information about Central 70 career pathways and a Workforce Development program overview, visit c70jobs.codot.gov.



Did you know that the Central 70 Project, has more than 50 on-the-job training participants working each month? Many of these workers are registered apprentices working toward their journey worker status! Take a look at the most

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Jarrell Dotson has worked his way up through Kiewit over the last year and a half. Starting as a carpenter, he is now the Craft Voice in Safety (CVIS) leader. He's responsible for ensuring that the construction craft team builds the Central 70 Project safely, from the gear they wear in the field to how they operate the construction equipment. While Jarrell's day is typically filled with meetings, tours and new hire check-ins, his favorite part of working on the Project is building lasting relationships with the construction craft team.

In his free time, he enjoys spoiling his two dogs, watching movies and spending time with friends and family. You may have to fight Jarrell over who gets the last helping of seafood or soul food because those are his favorite dishes. But they take second place in his heart after his mom's home cooking. If he had the



option to live a week in the past or the future, he'd live one week in the past because he'd want to spend more time with his mom. Some day, Jarrell wants to see the world, with his first stop being Egypt to see the Great Pyramid of Giza.

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Interested in working on the Central 70 Project? Visit <u>c70jobs.codot.gov</u> for information about Kiewit's signatory unions and the Project's active subcontractors.

The following subcontractors have identified new positions that have opened recently. Look at their websites or reach out to WORKNOW to learn about more open positions.

- BT Construction
- Jalisco International
- Kiewit
- Lawrence Construction
- Sturgeon Electric
- Thorcon Shotcrete and Shoring
- Western States Reclamation

Jobs posted on subcontractor websites do not guarantee placement on the Central 70 Project.



WORKNOW training and supportive resource partners have postponed training activities and are adhering to current recommended precautions. For additional questions about

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On Thursday, March 5, Kiewit hosted a job site tour in partnership with the National Association of Women in Construction. A group of 10 women joined by Kiewit's Environmental Project Manager, Megan Wood, had an up-close look at the Central 70 Project. Pictured are the women standing in front of a girder being delivered for the future Union Pacific

Railroad bridge.

Kiewit is a Silver Sponsor for the Hoya
Foundation's <u>Transportation and</u>
Construction Girl program in the



Summer of 2020. The sponsorship will support the Hoya Foundation's week-long "Career Days for Girls." This event provides an opportunity for girls to experience first-hand the abundance of career opportunities in the transportation and construction industries.

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On Saturday, March 7, Kiewit along with Sturgeon Electric, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union (IBEW LU) 68, IBEW LU 111, and WORKNOW, hosted its third Women in Construction workshop. Female apprentices had the opportunity to teach attendees about careers in the electrical trades. Many of the

attendees were even able to finish off the day with hands-on practice assembling traffic signals!



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recruitment, advancement and support platform. The program focuses on supporting working families impacted by growth and development in the Denver metro area. WORKNOW offers a variety of support including boots, transportation assistance, training and



career coaching. Learn more about WORKNOW and get connected at work-now.org.

Multiple entry-level and advanced training opportunities are available with WORKNOW partners. If you, or someone you know, is interested in advancing your construction career with additional training this winter, contact WORKNOW at coreworknow@gmail.com or 303-352-6019. WORKNOW-supported training includes entry-level boot camps, introduction to concrete, leadership courses, blueprint reading, stormwater management, assistance starting a registered apprenticeship (earn as you learn) and soft skills training.

To date, 132 WORKNOW members have been employed on the Central 70 Project working for either Kiewit or a subcontractor; this includes individuals who are new to the industry and incumbent workers accessing supportive resources.



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percentage of local workers.

Top Five: January 2020

1. A Casillas Services; Casillas Services LLC; FCO Trucking; J & J Trucking; J. Casillas Services; LC Hernandez Trucking LLC; Roberts Trucking, Inc. (100%)

- 2. Daylight Utility Finders Inc. (62%)
- 3. Garza Concrete Structures, Inc. (55%)
- 4. Concrete Express (49%)
- 5. Thorcon Shotcrete and Shoring (48%)



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WORKNOW Interest Forms

work-now.org/english work-now.org/espanol 720-389-0999 (hotline)

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